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Proposed New York Peace Process Ministerial

[1](#)1. (S) Ambassador spoke to King Abdullah's Office Director, Bassem Awadallah, September 2 by phone. Awadallah said Jordan is in complete agreement with the U.S. on the need to stop the Arab League proposal for a Middle East peace process ministerial in New York. He said the Royal Palace would instruct Jordanian FM Khatib to work on those lines at the Cairo Arab League ministerial.

Lebanon, Venezuela, and Sudan

[1](#)2. (SBU) PolCouns delivered reftel demarche on Lebanon, Venezuela and Sudan September 3 to Thamer Adwan, the new director of Foreign Minister Khatib's private office. Adwan had no substantive comments, and undertook to brief Khatib on our positions.

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